

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 with the following paragraph:

This patent application discloses subject matter that is related to the subject matter disclosed in United States Patent Application Serial Nos. 09/815,432 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Efficiently Broadcasting Transactions between an Address Repeater and a Client," and 09/815,443 entitled "Method and Apparatus for Verifying Consistency between a First Address Repeater and a Second Address Repeater," filed on even date herein. Each of the above Patent Applications is hereby incorporated by reference.